Unauthorised colonies

390. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have approved about 1500 unauthorised colonies in Delhi State; if so, the details thereof and the names of such colonies;

(b) by when these colonies are expected to be legalised and provided necessary amenities and facilities;

(c) the expected population that shall be benefited and the expected charges per square metre for the development of the colonies; and

(d) by when necessary facilities would be initiated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) The Union Government on 8.2.2007 has approved a proposal regarding revision in the guidelines for regularisation of unauthorised colonies in Delhi. Based, on the revised guidelines, the list of colonies eligible for regularisation are to be finalized.

(b) The Government of NCT of Delhi (GNCTD) has initiated verification of the applications received from over 1500 unauthorised colonies. In view of the legal and administrative issues involved, no time-frame has been fixed.

(c) GNCTD has estimated that about 30-35 lakh population are living in unauthorized colonies. It has been decided that the recovery of development charges would be decided by the GNCTD.

(d) GNCTD has reported that a time bound programme for providing necessary basic facilities in the unauthorised colonies would be prepared on the receipt of the policy guidelines for regularization of unauthorised colonies from Government of India.

Urban development proposals from A.P.

391. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of urban development proposals sent by the State

Government of Andhra Pradesh to the Central Government for approval during the last three years, scheme-wise;

(b) whether Government have accorded approval to these proposals;

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the financial assistance provided, scheme-wise; and

(d) by when the remaining proposals, if any, are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Pooled Finance Development Fund

392. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had approved setting up of a Pooled Finance Development Fund which would enable urban local bodies to raise funds from the market;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government had made an allocation of Rs. 400 crore for the above purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. the broad objectives of Pooled Finance Development Fund (PFDF) are to:-

(i) facilitate development of bankable urban infrastructure projects through appropriate capacity building measures and financial structuring of projects;

(ii) facilitate Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) to access capital and financial markets for investment in critical municipal infrastructure by providing credit enhancement grants to State Pooled Finance Entities (SPFEs) for accessing capital markets through Pooled Financing Bonds on behalf of one or more identified ULBs for investment in identified urban infrastructure projects;